

DETAILED ACTION

1. This action is responsive to the amendment filed on December 16, 2008. Claims 1-29 are cancelled. Claim 31 is added. Claims 30-31 represent Electronic mail (email) internet appliance methods and systems.

2. EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Benjamin A. Balser (Reg. No. 58,169), the attorney in record, gave authorization for this Examiner's Amendment over the telephone during an interview. The claims amendments are as follow:

PLEASE AMEND THE CLAIMS AS FOLLOWS:

1.-29. (Cancelled).

30. (Previously Presented) A method of manipulating email messages with an email network appliance comprising:

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receiving an email message from an email server, wherein the email server is particularly configured to provide an email service to a plurality of email network appliances that can only receive text of an email message, with an email network appliance, the email message having had attachments that cannot be viewed on the email network appliance automatically deleted by the email network appliance email service provided by the particularly configured email server, such that the email message is text only;

classifying the text only email message;

inserting the text only email message into a classification container;

presenting the classification container in a classification display section

comprising at least two sections, each section containing one classification container;

presenting a text only email message in a classification container, wherein all

presenting of the text only email message is performed off-line and

prompting a user to save a sent email message;

wherein the email network appliance comprises a handheld email Internet appliance connected to a public switched network via an RJ-11 interface, the appliance further comprising a keyboard and a scrollable line display capable of presenting at least six lines but no more than fifteen lines.

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31. (New) An email network appliance for manipulating email messages comprising:

a processor configured to:

receive an email message from an email server, wherein the email server is particularly configured to provide an email service to a plurality of email network appliances that can only receive text of an email message, with an email network appliance, the email message having had attachments that cannot be viewed on the email network appliance automatically deleted by the email network appliance email service provided by the particularly configured email server, such that the email message is text only;

classify the text only email message;

insert the text only email message into a classification container;

present the classification container in a classification display section comprising at least two sections, each section containing one classification container;

present the text only email message in a classification container, wherein all presenting of the text only email message is performed off-line and

prompt a user to save a sent email message;

a handheld email Internet appliance connected to a public switched network via an RJ-11 interface;

a keyboard; and

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a scrollable line display capable of presenting at least six lines but no more than fifteen lines.

Allowable Subject Matter

3. Claims 30-31 are allowed.

4. The following is an Examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

The prior arts in record fail to teach "receive an email message from an email server, wherein the email server is particularly configured to provide an email service to a plurality of email network appliances that can only receive text of an email message, with an email network appliance, the email message having had attachments that cannot be viewed on the email network appliance automatically deleted by the email network appliance email service provided by the particularly configured email server, such that the email message is text only, and a scrollable line display capable of presenting at least six lines but no more than fifteen lines, as recited in independent claims 30-31".

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

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5. Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to El Hadji M Sall whose telephone number is 571-272-4010. The examiner can normally be reached on 8:00-4:30.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Ario Etienne can be reached on 571-272-4001. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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